

RECREATIONAL HUNTING

1. All hunting, including hunting for game birds, furbearers, mountain lions, and varmints, is permitted and regulated on White Sands Missile Range, hereinafter referred to as the Range, in accordance with this guidance and the revised White Sands Missile Range Regulation (WSMRR) 190-1. Mountain lion hunting is authorized under the conditions below, and in accordance with additional conditions provided in WSMRR 190-1. Where applicable, this guidance also applies to big game hunting for deer, oryx, pronghorn, and other big game species that occur on the Range. Big game hunting policies are primarily covered in WSMRR 190-1.

2. All hunting on the Range will be in compliance with New Mexico Department of Game and Fish (NMDGF) regulations, state and federal laws, Army regulations, and Range policies and regulations. Professional guides/outfitters are prohibited from all forms of hunting on the Range. Hunting is authorized only during those seasons and for those species identified in the current NMDGF proclamation and only in areas covered by this guidance. Hunt areas have been designated to avoid known UXO hazards. Hunters must remember that all areas of the Range potentially contain hazardous items. It is the responsibility of hunters to follow existing safety and UXO procedures. Failure to comply with these hunting policies and procedures will result in the revocation of future Range hunting privileges, and could lead to additional prosecution and/or disciplinary action.

3. Authorization to hunt on the Range is granted only to DoD personnel who have a Range security badge for access to uprange areas, and to Range contractors approved by the Range Commanding General. Range hunting permits are issued to authorized hunters by the White Sands Security Directorate at building 384. Hunting permits will be issued to individuals with the appropriate security badge and required NMDGF hunting licenses. The Security Directorate will provide hunt maps, hunting policies, and hunting restrictions to each Range hunter upon issuance of their hunting permit. Hunters are authorized to hunt only in those areas identified on the map as open to hunting.

4. Permitted hunters may be accompanied by up to three guests. Authorization to hunt as a guest will be only granted to U.S. citizens. Permitted hunters will be required to submit a guest list for approval prior to the scheduled hunting activity to the Law Enforcement and Security Directorate, SD-E. Only approved guests will be allowed to accompany permitted hunters. Guests are the responsibility of the permitted hunter while on the Range. All guests,

prior to being allowed access to the Range, are required to complete approved UXO hazards training. Permitted hunters are required to brief their guests on UXO hazards using the UXO/Range

Hazards card or the "For Your Safety" UXO brochure. Guests must read and sign two (2) copies of the Commander's Range Hazards Orientation letter, one copy for Range records and one copy to remain with the guest. Guests are also required to sign a release and hold harmless agreement. The UXO brochure and orientation letters will be available at the Range hunting entrance gates.

5. Hunting is authorized only on a non-interference basis during weekends, holidays, and Range non-duty days. The Range may be closed to anyone hunting in any area at any time. Hunting hours are from sunrise to sunset. All hunters are required to exit the Range within one hour after sunset.

6. All hunting parties entering the Range are required to carry and monitor an operable personal cellular telephone for emergency contact. Hunters must provide their cellular telephone numbers to the Security Directorate at 678-1234 prior to entry onto the Range.

7. Access to the Range for hunting is allowed only through the Small Missile Range, Tularosa, and Stallion Range Center gates. Hunters are required to have their Range badges, hunting permits, UXO cards or proof of training, driver's licenses, vehicle registration, proof of vehicle insurance, and NMDGF hunting license upon entering the Range. Permitted hunters must also have a copy of the hunting policies and hunt map, provided by the Range during the hunting permitting process, as a requirement for accessing the Range for hunting. Only vehicles registered with the Range are allowed access onto the Range. Off-road vehicular travel and all-terrain vehicle (ATV) use is prohibited, unless authorized in accordance with WSMRR 190-1. Permitted hunters and guests must exit the Range through the gate from which they entered.

8. Hunters are required to designate hunt areas in which they plan to hunt. Only two adjacent hunt areas can be designated at any given time. Changes in hunt areas may occur only after the guard at the entrance gate has approved the change in person, or by telephone, or the change is approved through the Security Directorate at 678-1234.

9. Authorized hunters are allowed access to the Range for the purpose of hunting only. Hunting dogs are allowed as long as proof of vaccination for each animal is provided to the guard at the entrance gate. All hunters and guests are required to wear at least 400 sq. in. of hunter's orange clothing while in the field. Collection, vandalism, and theft of historic or prehistoric artifact items or structures, metal detecting, wood cutting, mineral and fossil collection, the collection of animals or plant materials, and/or the harassment of wildlife are prohibited. Possession and consumption of alcohol, or hunting under the influence of alcohol is prohibited. Hunting or the discharge of a weapon within 150 meters of any occupied or test related structure and photography while on the Range are also prohibited.

10. Any violation of this guidance, or any other applicable law or regulation, may result in automatic revocation of hunting privileges or prosecution under the Uniform Code of Military Justice or any other applicable federal or state laws or regulations.

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11. For additional information concerning recreational hunting procedures, please contact the Security Directorate at 678-4477, or the Environment and Safety Directorate, Environmental Stewardship Division, at 678-2224.

12. This guidance supersedes CG-12-99, dated 25 October 99.

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